

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

WD & CW Dept. – Universalisation of ICDS Scheme – Ensuring Delivery of Services at Anganwadi Centres under the ICDS Scheme – Non-drafting of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers to other work to ensure uninterrupted ICDS services between 9:00 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. or till such time as Centres function, whichever is later - Orders - Issued.

**WOMEN DEV., CHILD WELFARE & DISABLED WELFARE (ICDS.A1)
DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Ms.No. 3

Dated the 18th January, 2010.
Read:-

D.O. Letter of Principal Secretary, W.D., C.W & D.W Department,
No.4406/ICDS.A1/09, Dt.02.12.2009 addressed to all Collectors.

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ORDER:

The scope and ambit of the ICDS Scheme has been extended to a considerable extent under Universalisation of the Scheme covering all the hitherto uncovered habitations, including SC/ST & Minority Communities through extension of services under the Scheme to which effect the Hon'ble Supreme Court had defined the 'Universalisation' in its orders passed on 13.12.2006 in WP.No.196/2001 between PUCL Vs. UOI and Others and other related judgements.

2. The Anganwadi Workers provide nutrition to children from 6 months to 6 years and to pregnant/nursing mothers and pre-school education to children from 3 to 6 years. The Anganwadi Workers have to record their height, weight for proper growth monitoring, apart from providing health and nutrition education, facilitating immunization and their health check up at the Anganwadi Centres. They need to look after the children of the working parents who are left at the Anganwadi Centres in the care of Anganwadi Workers/Helpers. Drafting the Anganwadi Workers & AWHs for other works are resulting in disruption in services and in the closure of Anganwadi Centres, thereby seriously impacting the services provided at the Anganwadi Centres, having a telling effect on the lives and future prospects of the stakeholders concerned.

3. Proper implementation of the ICDS scheme can bring about a turnaround in important health indicators within 2-4 years with far reaching and life-long benefits for stakeholders concerned. For effective delivery of services, it is imperative that the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers are not drawn into any programme which is beyond the scope of ICDS, apart from same being violative of the judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court.

4. Government hereby order that the Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers shall not be drafted for any other works without prior approval of Government.

5. The District Collectors are requested to issue instructions accordingly to all officers concerned and shall ensure the same.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M. CHAYA RATAN,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To:

The Commissioner, Women Dev. & Child Welfare Deptt., A.P. Hyderabad.
All the District Collectors in the State.
All Regional Deputy Directors in the State.
All Project Directors in the State.

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Copy to:

PS to the Chief Minister.
PS to the Chief Secretary,
PS to Prl. Secy. WD,CW&DW Dept,
The Joint Secretary, Government of India,
Ministry of Women & Child Development
with reference to the F.No.9-2/2009-CD-I.
SF/SC.

//Forwarded::By Order//

SECTION OFFICER.